## DHEC NOTICE

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

NPDES Phase I Medium MS4 Stormwater Permit SCS400001 Re-Issuance

NOTICE NUMBER: 15-940-R

NOTICE DATE: September 11, 2015

**PROPOSAL**: Renewal of NPDES Phase I Medium Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit (SCS400001)

for Town of Arcadia Lakes (Small MS4), City of Forest Acres (Small MS4), and Richland County

(Medium MS4) (SCS400001) storm water discharges.

**PERMIT** Town of Arcadia Lakes

CO- APPLICANTS: ATTN: Mark W Huguley, 6911-2 North Trenholm Rd, Columbia, SC 29206

City of Forest Acres

ATTN: Mark Williams, 5205 North Trenholm Rd, Columbia, SC 29260-4801

Richland County

ATTN: Tony Mc Donald, 400 Powell Rd, Columbia, SC 29203

**DESCRIPTION:** The MS4 designated for permitting is the area comprised of the geo-politico-jurisdictional boundaries of the Town of Arcadia Lakes and the City of Forest Acres (Small MS4) and the unincorporated area of Richland County (Medium MS4), SC located in Richland County. The term MS4 is defined as a conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, man-made channels, or storm drains) owned or operated by the town, city or county. Town of Arcadia Lakes, City of Forest Acres and Richland County are copermittees in this permit. There are at least sixty-five (65) major and one thousand three hundred (1,300) minor outfalls discharging from these MS4. The number of outfalls will be updated and reported periodically as required by the permit. The draft permit, this notice and the fact sheet can be seeing on the DHEC site:

## http://www.scdhec.gov/PublicNotices/

**PUBLIC COMMENT PURPOSE**: On Friday, September 11, 2015, SCDHEC issued Public Notice #15-940-R with a 30-day comment period ending on October 12, 2015. Permittees are required to continue to implement a robust Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP) including elements such as: Structural Controls and Stormwater Collection System Operations; Procedures in Areas of New Development and Redevelopment; Operations and Maintenance of Roadways; Flood Control Requirements; Operation of Municipal Facilities: Application of Pesticides, Herbicides, and Fertilizers; Illicit Discharges and Improper Disposal of Pollutants; Industrial Runoff; Construction Site Storm Water Runoff Control; and, Public Education and Public Participation. This permit also contains Water Quality Based Effluent Limitations (WQBEL) For storm water discharges to water bodies subject to total maximum daily loads (TMDL), monitoring must demonstrate compliance with waste load allocations (WLA). For waters not subject to WLA, the goal is to ensure that storm water discharges do not cause or contribute to excursions of water quality standards. The Department is seeking comments on this preliminary finding. In accordance with Section D.(2), Antidegradation, of the State Water Quality Standards, this notice provides public participation and intergovernmental coordination for this decision.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT DETAILS:**

- Written comments must be received no later than COB on Wednesday October 12, 2015.

**HOW TO COMMENT**? Written comments must be sent to the attention of: Arturo R. Ovalles, SC DHEC; Stormwater Construction and Agricultural Permitting Division, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201-1708, Telephone: 803/898-4178, Facsimile: 803/898-7344. The proposed NPDES permit number, SCS400001, or the notice number, 15-979-R, should be placed at the top of the first page of comments.

**MORE INFO?** DHEC's project file is available for review free of charge. Copies can be made for a \$0.25 fee per page by contacting our Freedom of Information Office (2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201, 803-898-3882 / Fax: 803-898-3816).

**MISCELLANEOUS:** DHEC is not involved in zoning, land use, or property value issues (please contact your local County or Municipal official for questions or concerns on these issues). All people commenting will receive a response to comments summary when DHEC makes a permit decision. Additional information regarding adjudicatory hearings is available from the Legal Office at the above Department address or by calling 803/898-3350.

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